

DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated below next to my name. I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled CUSHION HAVING PLURAL ZONES WITH DISCRETE COMPRESSIBILITY CHARACTERISTICS, the specification of which was filed as U.S. Patent Application No. 10/773,832 on February 5, 2004, (Attorney Docket No. 4003-09101).

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56(a). I further hereby claim priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119 to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/445,128 filed February 5, 2003.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein on my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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